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At best, therefore, the article would only qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(a). However, this paper was published by the inventors themselves, and described aspects of the invention that are being claimed in the subject application. As such, therefore, it does not constitute prior art against their claims. (M.P.E.P. §715.01(c)).

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are allowable over the references of record. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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We, the undersigned Vladimir M. Kozenkov, Wing Chiu Yip, Vladimir G. Chigrinov and Hoi Sing Kwok, are co-inventors of the subject matter claimed in the above-identified application, together with Elena K. Prudnikova.

We are also authors of the paper entitled "Thin Photo-Patterned Internal Polarizers for LCDs", together with S.T. Tang, which has been cited as a reference in the above-identified application.

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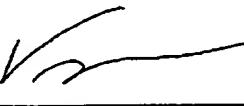
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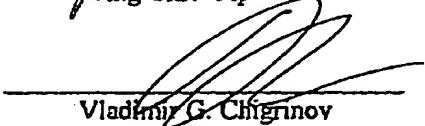
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